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bewitch, bebother, and bewilder you. You don't stop to think about how these things came into being in the first place. It was the Legislature which is the creator. Without the Legislature there would be nothing. Unfortunately, the Legislature does not appreciate its own role and its responsibility. In that story of Frankenstein that was corrupted by all of the movies, the doctor who created the monster, according to the movies, always felt the responsibility for what that monster did and the doctor's descendants felt a responsibility because the monster of the movies never dies. The responsibility was there on the creator and on the creator's descendants. This...

SENATOR CUDABACK: One minute.

SENATOR CHAMBERS: ...Legislature is being told by the business community, yeah, you gave us all these benefits, yeah, you rolled over. Now you don't have a right to as us anything. We don't have to tell you anything and, beyond that, we are insulted when you have the gall to even ask anything of us. Don't you know your place? Well, once the monster had been created, it was realized that the doctor had not built in a mechanism of control. That's why the creature became a monster because it could not be controlled. LB 775 is the monster but the Legislature still can exercise control if it could find the will. This amendment does not constitute control. It can constitute an attempt at fairness. Thank you, Mr. President.

SENATOR CUDABACK: Thank you, Senator Chambers. On with discussion, Senator. (Visitors introduced.) Mr. Clerk, items for the record.

CLERK: Mr. President, Senator Redfield has an amendment to LB 232 to be printed. Enrollment and Review reports LB 17, LB 430, LB 720, LB 721, LB 536, LB 467, LB 608A, LB 626A, LB 790A to Select File, some of which have Enrollment and Review amendments attached. (Legislative Journal pages 1080-1082.)

Mr. President, a priority motion, Senator Jones would move to recess until 1:30 p.m.